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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR VIEWS MD POSSIBLE AID SUPPORT FOR
HEMISPHERE-WIDE SYMPOSIUM ON DEVELOPMENT

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1. REFAIR ARRIVED JULY 31ST; THEREFORE, RESPONSE NOT
POSSIBLE BY JULY 30TH AS REQUESTED.

2. CEPAL'S PROPOSAL NO. 2 APPEARS TO BE RECOMMENDATION FOR
REGIONAL CIEC AND APPEARS LIKELY TO SUFFER SIMILAR PROBLEMS.
BROADENING "ENCOUNTER" TO INCLUDE ACADEMICS OR EXTENDING IT TO
INCLUDE FOLLOW-ON SPECIALIZED WORKSHOPS UNLIKELY TO DEPOL-
ITICIZE IT IF BASIC PURPOSE AS OUTLINED PARA. D.2., PAGE 3 OF
REFAIR ENCLOSURE REMAINS SAME. EVEN IF BROADENED AND EXTENDED,
QUESTIONS REMAIN AS TO: (A) WHETHER USG WOULD BE RAISING
EXPECTATIONS FOR DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR L.A. WHICH IT IS NOT
PREPARED TO ACCOMMODATE; AND (B) OAS' REACTION. OAS MIGHT JUSTIF-
IABLY REGARD ITSELF AS MORE APPROPRIATE FORUM FOR SUCH A
SYMPOSIUM.

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3. MORE APPROPRIATE AID-FINANCED REGIONAL PROJECT MIGHT BE
PROPOSAL NO. 1 TO WHICH WOULD BE ADDED A FQOR FOR STUDIES
AND WORKSHOPS ON NORTH-SOUTH DEVELOPMENT ISSUES OF HIGH
PRIORITY TO LATIN AMERICA. PLAN OF WORK FOR SUCH STUDIES AND WORK-
SHOPS COULD BE LAID OUT IN PROJECT PAPER AND COULD INCLUDE A
GENERAL SYMPOSIUM AT END OF PROJECT TO DISCUSS FINDINGS.
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, ACADEMICS AND PUBLIC POLICY ORGANIZATIONS

(SUCH AS IN U.S., BROOKINGS AND OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL)
COULD PARTICIPATE WITH REPRESENTATION ELEVATED, AS APPROPRIATE,
FOR FINAL SYMPOSIUM. ONE ADVANTAGE OF THIS APPROACH WOULD BE
THAT FINAL SYMPOSIUM WOULD BE BASED ON SOLID JOINTLY PREPARED
ISSUES PAPERS (STUDIES/WORKSHOP RESULTS).

4. TO EXTENT CEPAL CAN MANAGE PROJECT SUGGESTED PARA. 3
OBJECTIVELY IT SHOULD BE EXECUTOR AND HOST. NEED FOR MILTI-

AGENCY SPONSORSHIP REDUCED IF CARE IS TAKEN BY CEPAL TO INSURE
THAT STUDIES AND WORKSHOPS ARE ALSO CARRIED OUT OBJECTIVELY.

5. WE BELIEVE THAT COSTA RICAN GOVERNMENT AND ACADEMIC COMMUNITY
WOULD WELCOME SUCH AN APPROACH.
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